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FROM EUROPE.

Latest Despatches by Ocean Telegraph.

Further Seizures of Fenian Arms and Munitions in Ireland.

Farewell Banquet to Minister Bigelow.

Plan for the Reorganization of the French Army to be Modified.

Important Item of South American War News.

Progress of Negotiations Between the Pope and Victor Emanuel.

Interesting Summary of News by Steamer.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Startling Developments in Relation to the New York Whiskey Frauds.

The Wool Growers and Manufacturers Before the Senate Finance Committee.

Correspondence in Reference to the Fenian Prisoners in Canada.

FROM CANADA.

Conviction and Sentence of the Fenian, Thomas Madden.

Letter from Lynch, the condemned Prisoner.

FROM MEXICO.

Rumor that Cortinas and Canales Have Joined the Imperialists.

Conflicting Statements as to the Whereabouts of Minister Campbell.

Gold Closed in New York at 133 3-4.

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BY OCEAN TELEGRAPH.

GREAT BRITAIN.

DUBLIN, December 21—4 o'clock.

The seizures of arms and munitions continues throughout Ireland.

The Fenian circular report appears to be doing its vigorous mischief.

[Reuter's Telegram.]

LONDON, December 21—Noon.

In London, yesterday, exists that the British government is perfectly advised of the movements of the Canadian fugitives, and that he is known to have left the British soil. Arrangements would be made for their arrest on their return to the British dominions.

The Queen is expected to arrive in London to-day to remain for the Christmas festivities.

LONDON, December 21—Evening.

Sir Thomas Wright, the Liverpool Member of Parliament, has announced his death. Sclopping Grant is about to be incorporated with Fenianism.

LONDON, December 21—The mail steamer from New York, December 12, has arrived at Queenstown. The Persia arrived at the mouth of the Mersey. The Pennsylvania assaulted the Scandinavian in the English Channel, and both vessels were injured, leaving five hundred dead on the deck. The Scandinavian was saved. The Assistance, which had returned to the Mersey, was detained at Liverpool by the United States Consul, which had returned to the Mersey.

FRANCE.

PARIS, December 21—Noon.

The Emperor to-day received the Diplomatic corps in a formal audience.

The Bourse is excited and active to-day.

M. Rouher returned thanks for the complimentary vote, in being elected of the French Academy, and had the new Minister, Baron Dupin, put no direct questions to confer.

It is stated that prior to recognizing the new Italy will be called upon to renounce the claim to Rome.

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ITALY.

ROME, December 21—Noon.

It is said that the speech of the King at the opening of the Chambers, has given offence to the Pope.

L. Venuti, the new Ambassador for the Italian Government to the Papal Court, has presented the credentials to the Pope.

From the spirit, the Italian National Convention has refused to ratify the proposition by which the Duchess cedes Sicily to Austria.

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FROM CANADA.

The Fenian Trials—Thomas Madden Convicted and sentenced to be Executed on the 11th—Letter from Lynch, the Condemned Prisoner—Trial of the Prisoners Commenced—The Bloody and Infamous Career of Lynch—Letter from Lynch, the Condemned Prisoner.

TORONTO, December 21—Evening.

The Judge pronounced sentence of death on Thomas Madden, to be executed on the 11th. The prisoner betrayed no emotion except a slight flush. The Judge addressed a few words of feeble reproof to the prisoner.

Thomas Madden was then asked if he had anything to say why sentence of death should not be passed upon him. He replied that he had been tried by a jury of his peers, and that he was satisfied with the verdict of the jury, who were loyal to the Queen. He had no fear of death.

The Judge charged the jury, who were locked up at 10 o'clock. They returned in half an hour with the verdict.

TORONTO, December 21—The trial of the Fenian prisoners resumed this morning at 10 o'clock.

[Reuter's Telegram.]

TORONTO, December 7th, 1866.

Rev. W. H. Steward, Windsor, C. W.:

I have the honor to enclose herewith the official communication which I have received from His Excellency the Governor General of these Provinces, conveying the decision of the Privy Council, in the case of the following prisoners, sentenced to be executed on the 7th instant, viz.:

Patrick Lynch, Edward Kelly, Timothy Deasy, Alexander Warren.

I am, Rev. Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) B. TURQUAND, H. S. Council.

TORONTO, December 21, 1866.

Sir—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day received a communication from the Attorney General of Ireland, dated Dublin Castle, 3d inst., informing me that the Secretary for War, Lord Cranborne, has referred to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, Robert John Lynch, a prisoner under sentence of death in Canada, and requesting that the execution of the sentence may be granted until Wednesday, the 12th day of December next.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) FRED W. CRAIG,

Sheriff of York and Peel.

To David Thurston, Assistant Secretary.

The Attorney General of Virginia has filed in the Supreme Court of that State a reply to the petition of Governor Pierpont, of Virginia, for a writ of mandamus to compel the Governor of Virginia to deliver up the records of the State, which were carried off by the rebel Governor Letcher and his colleagues. The reply denies the jurisdiction of the Court in the matter, and declares that the records are the property of the State.

SECRETARY SEWARD AND SANTA ANNA.

NEW YORK, December 21.—Correspondence between Secretary Seward and Santa Anna has been found among the papers of the latter, recently captured. It proposes to pay him $10,000 cash down, and $10,000 per month during the war, provided that this Government declined to have official representation at the Court of Mexico, and withdrew the representative of the Juarez Government in Washington.

DIFFICULTIES BETWEEN THE TEXAS PROPHET AND HIS SECRETARY.

The Texas Prophet says an endless variety of rumors are afloat in this city, and that he has been compelled to make a statement to the public. He says that the trouble was occasioned by his secretary, Mr. Hall, who, he says, has been in the habit of appropriating to his own use money belonging to the Prophet. Many received in the frontier in his own name. When the two parted company, Hall refused to give up the money, and since then has been circulating reports to the effect that the Prophet has been in the habit of appropriating to his own use money belonging to others. The Prophet says he has been more than the good-natured could wish.

FROM ST. LOUIS.

Warrants Issued by the United States Commissioner Against Colonel Montgomery and Others—Arrest of Montgomery—Arrest of Jennison—Movements of Troops on the Kansas Pacific Railroad—The Riverside Affair—A New Outrage at Kansas City—Fenianism.

ST. LOUIS, December 21.

Warrants have been issued by the United States Commissioner to-day, for the arrest of Colonel Montgomery, Captain Cooper, and four other persons, on a charge of instituting and organizing a military force to operate against peaceable citizens of that county. The warrants were issued under the Civil Rights Bill passed at the last session of Congress. The officers to whom they were asked for stating that the offenders could not be found, and it is believed that many of them have left the State, as they were informed that warrants were issued. The warrants were given to the United States Marshal, Colonel Wallace, who left on the train Wednesday for Lexington, to execute them. The Commissioner will go to-night to St. Louis, and examine before the Grand Jury the witnesses.

The temporary movement in meeting with indifference, and it is said that a new call, signed by 2,000, is about to be circulated.

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Returns received at the General Land Office show that 594,054 acres of the public lands were disposed of at the St. Cloud, Minnesota, office during the year 1866, at the price of $1.25 per acre, which were taken under the Homestead Law for actual settlement and cultivation. The business was located with Agricultural College scrip, and military warrants.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS.

The receipts from Internal Revenue to-day were $2,000,000.

BALTIMORE WHISKEY RINGS.

In the case of whiskey seized for forfeiture for violation of the revenue law, the Commissioner has decided to increase the penalty imposed on the seizures to Collector Smith, at Baltimore, will confirm the decision on the part of those who represent agreed for the following rates: The wool growers, in view of the immense importation of wool from South America, which can be purchased for below the cost in this country, should have a protection of ten cents, specific duty, and ten per cent. ad valorem. The manufacturers, on their part, ask to be relieved for this duty on wool and to have a net protective above the internal revenue tax of twenty-five per cent. in all wool goods.

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FROM MONMOUTH.

Action of the Board of Trustees of Monmouth College—Pay to Assist the New Edmund Hall.

[Special Despatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

MONMOUTH, Ill., December 21.

The Board of Trustees of Monmouth College have just closed their session. The resignation of the President of the College shows the present condition of the institution. The College Edmund Hall is finished, and will be opened for the reception of students in January. There have been 70 students in attendance in the collegiate department, and 40 in the preparatory department. The College has a corps of active instructors in addition the ordinary Professors. Rev. Dr. Wallace, of Jersey City, Superintendent of Sunday Schools, Presidents Williams and Jones, of Monmouth, have been elected Trustees, and Professor Wallace to deliver his lectures.

The ladies of the College have been carrying on a heavy tide for the benefit of the Edmund, by way of striking the first nail, which was done by Miss Stevens, daughter of Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, of Pennsylvania, who was present on the occasion. The ladies have succeeded in raising $1,000 in cash, and $1,000 in subscriptions. The new Masonic Hall is filled to overflowing with fine specimens of needlework, from a good comfortable lap quilt down to a doll baby. Four dollars per day is the price of admission, and the receipts are very large. The ladies' fancy work, however, do not fail to be appreciated by the gentlemen, and the latter are not behindhand in the matter of contributions. The fair will close on Saturday night.

FROM SPRINGFIELD.

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Senator Yates has been canvassing for the Presidency for the next Senatorial term, and has succeeded in securing a majority of the Republican members of the Legislature. The Democrats will not make a nomination, but will divide among the Democrats.

STEAMER COLFAX.

Rumor Comes from St. Louis to the effect that the steamer Colfax struck a snag and sank in the Missouri River, on the 15th inst., and that 30 persons were drowned. The boat was owned by Captain Reed, of St. Louis, and was valued at $30,000. She was insured for $20,000.

FROM CINCINNATI.

Movement for the Suppression of Gambling and Gin Concern Swindling—Educational—Appointment of Trustees of the Mercantile Library to be Assembled.

[Special Despatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CINCINNATI, December 21.

The City Council Committee on Police, to-day, commenced the investigation of the charges against the Police Commissioners, preferred by the Grand Jury. The charges are that the Commissioners have failed to suppress gambling houses, and other disreputable resorts, and that they have failed to enforce the law in relation to the sale of liquor on Sunday. The Committee will report to the Council on Monday.

The Common Council, this afternoon, referred an ordinance to the Committee on Education, providing for the appointment of the State Board of Education, to confer with the Board of Trustees of the Public Schools of this city, in relation to the establishment of a Normal School in this city.

The Mercantile Library Association, to-day, elected the following Trustees for the ensuing year: Messrs. Reuben Springer, Thomas Emery, Thomas Gaff, Jr., Thomas Hall, Jr., Thomas Hall, Sr., Thomas Hall, Jr., Thomas Hall, Sr., Thomas Hall, Jr., Thomas Hall, S

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PRICE FIVE CENTS.

INTERNAL REVENUE IN 1871.

The Receipts Reported by Commissioner Douglas.

Internal Revenue Receipts for the Fiscal Year.

Receipts from Customs.

Receipts from Public Lands.

Receipts from Miscellaneous Sources.

Receipts from Direct Taxes.

Receipts from Internal Revenue

CONSUMPTION

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SATURDAY, December 22, 1866.

THE CITY.

The Weather.—The sand of Sunday, like Mahomet's coffin, is suspended between heaven and earth, and we are literally frozen in Chicago in mid-air.

The Lake Tunnel.—A visit yesterday to the tunnel, from its being under the control of the Board of Public Works, was not permitted by Commissioner Rumsey, and the visitors were compelled to go away disappointed.

Girl Content.—Another letter of inquiry has come to hand, at present the last of a long series of the same sort, from a young man who wishes to find a girl named Mary Ann Hall, who left Utica, N. Y., for Chicago, about two years ago. Any one knowing of the whereabouts of the lady will confer a favor on the writer by addressing him at the Tribune office.

Music Hall.—Our venerable friend Dr. Patterson, Presiding Elder of the Chicago District of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is invited by the citizens of Chicago to occupy the pulpit of Music Hall, Sunday morning, December 23, at 10½ o'clock. The Doctor will preach a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

Sunday's Sunday Class.—A Bible Class for women has just been organized in the Illinois Street Church. Regular attendance between 9 and 10 a. m. Sunday morning, at half past ten service, Sunday evening, at half past seven service, every subject to Change by order.

Dramatic Mutual Society.—The Twenty-sixth Anniversary Meeting of the Dramatic Mutual Society will be held on Sunday evening, at half past seven o'clock, at the Society's rooms, Nos. 77 and 79 Clark street, corner of Lake. Addresses will be delivered by W. F. Hay, R. D., and Rev. E. Clarke.

Sunday-School Concert.—Young people's meeting will be held this (Saturday) evening at half past seven o'clock, at the Methodist Episcopal Church on Halsted street, between Madison and Randolph streets. Addresses by Rev. Dr. Eddy, Rev. Dr. Patterson, and others. All are invited, and come early.

Helmet Company.—Great attractions and good bargains are offered by the gay old boys of the helmet company, both at Gleason's auction, in the basement of the Tribune building, and at Gleason's store, No. 87 Lake street, where they have removed all the balance of their goods, consisting of watches, jewelry and silverware, and invite their friends to call and examine the stock.

Mission.—At the regular annual communication of Siloam Lodge, No. 77, A. F. and A. M., held on Thursday evening, December 20, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: Frank G. Gooch, W. M.; Henry G. Lewis, S. W.; Alfred Kinsley, J. W.; Rev. Robert Laird, Treasurer; John Lee, Secretary; Rev. S. Hall, Chaplain; Wm. Hall, S. D.; Wm. Hall, J. D.; Wm. Hall, S. S.; Wm. Hall, J. S.; Wm. Hall, Tyler.

Masonic.—At the annual communication of Silvester Lodge No. 317, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: Wm. Bowman, W. M.; Henry Bowman, S. W.; Wm. Bowman, J. W.; Wm. Bowman, Treasurer; John Lee, Secretary; Wm. Bowman, S. D.; Wm. Bowman, J. D.; Wm. Bowman, S. S.; Wm. Bowman, J. S.; Wm. Bowman, Tyler.

Masonic.—At the annual communication of Silvester Lodge No. 317, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: Wm. Bowman, W. M.; Henry Bowman, S. W.; Wm. Bowman, J. W.; Wm. Bowman, Treasurer; John Lee, Secretary; Wm. Bowman, S. D.; Wm. Bowman, J. D.; Wm. Bowman, S. S.; Wm. Bowman, J. S.; Wm. Bowman, Tyler.

Odd Fellows.—At the regular meeting of Chicago Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F., held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Wm. Bowman, N. G.; Wm. Bowman, V. G.; Wm. Bowman, Secretary; Wm. Bowman, Treasurer; Wm. Bowman, Warden; Wm. Bowman, Conductor; Wm. Bowman, R. S. N. G.; Wm. Bowman, L. S. N. G.; Wm. Bowman, R. S. V. G.; Wm. Bowman, L. S. V. G.; Wm. Bowman, R. S. S.; Wm. Bowman, L. S. S.; Wm. Bowman, I. G.; Wm. Bowman, O. G.; Wm. Bowman, R. S. to Sec.; Wm. Bowman, L. S. to Sec.; Wm. Bowman, R. S. to Treas.; Wm. Bowman, L. S. to Treas.; Wm. Bowman, Chaplain; Wm. Bowman, Trustee for three years.

Odd Fellows.—At the regular meeting of Garden City Lodge, No. 313